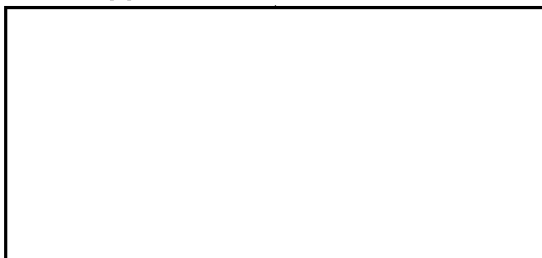


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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: AIA 11-6-59: Soviet Science and Technology

1. This estimate supersedes AIA 11-6-56: "Capabilities and Trends of Soviet Science and Technology", published 9 October 1956. A coordinated contribution, prepared by the Scientific Intelligence Committee, served as the basis for this paper.

2. The estimate consists of Conclusions (pp. i-vii), a Discussion (pp. i-15), and three detailed Appendices on present Soviet capabilities and future trends in science, military research and development, and industrial technology. A fourth Appendix on scientific and technical manpower will consist primarily of graphics which were not available for distribution at the time we went to press. However, the SIC and USIB representatives have approved the figures upon which these graphics are based.

3. There are no dissent to any of the judgments made in this estimate, and we recommend its approval by the USIB.

4. We have requested the SIC to provide contributions to the post-mortem on this estimate and the validity study on its predecessor. These should be available for USIB consideration on 1 August.

FOR THE BOARD OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES:

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